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**Environmental
Cleanup Office**

June 30, 2009

Mr. Bill Ryan
US EPA Region X
1200 Sixth Avenue – ECL-113
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: June 2009 Monthly Report

Dear Mr. Ryan:

This letter serves as the monthly progress report for June 2009, in accordance with Section X, Paragraph 29 of the RD/RA Consent Decree for the Tronox site, in Soda Springs, Idaho.

June Activities

The calcine cap and landfill facilities were inspected in June. The gates on both facilities are closed and locked. The perimeter fences are in good condition. Work on the fence between the calcine cap and the 10-acre pond was nearly completed in June. The landfill sump was also pumped dry in June.

The 10-acre pond was inspected in June and the water level was measured. The fence surrounding the 10-acre pond is in good condition. The 10-acre pond contains about 19 inches of water on the south end. Tronox initiated pumping to the enhanced evaporative system within containment of the 10-acre pond to reduce the water level in the pond. However, record precipitation rates in June for Soda Springs kept the pond to the current level.

Data results from the October 2008 sampling round were validated. The results were summarized with the updated database in the data quality report and transmitted to you in June. The results from the May 2009 sampling round were also received in late June. A preliminary review of these results indicate that molybdenum concentration levels at Finch Spring have fallen below the risk-based concentration (RBC) of 180 micrograms per liter (ug/l) and that concentrations of molybdenum at Big Spring are now equivalent to the RBC.

July/August 2009 Activities

During the months of July and August, Tronox will continue to monitor the cap, pump the landfill and monitor the 10-acre pond. Weeds will be monitored and sprayed on the cap and landfill to eliminate noxious species and vegetative species with tap roots as per the O&M plans. Tronox continue pumping the 10-acre pond within containment to enhance evaporation and reduce the water level in the pond.

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Work will begin on the validation of the recently received data from the analytical laboratory. Tronox also anticipates the receipt of comments from EPA to the submitted Addendum I deliverable documents including the remedy evaluation report and the monitor well network evaluation report.

No community relation activities are planned for this period.

Problems or Delays

No delays are expected.

If you have any questions about the work or additional information is required with regards to the work described above, please contact me at (208) 547-3331, extension 233, or (b) (6) cell).

Sincerely,
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